

Novel phenylcyclohexanes of the formula I

in which n is 0 to 7,  $Q^1$  and  $Q^2$  are H, or one of these radicals is alternatively  $CH_3$ , r is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, A is trans-1,4-cyclohexylene, 1,4-phenylene, 3-fluoro-1,4-phenylene or a single bond, X is F, Cl,  $-CF_3$ , -CN,  $-OCF_3$  or  $-OCHF_2$ , and Y and Z are each, independently of one another, H or F, with the proviso that, in the case where A is a single bond,  $Q^1 = Q^2 = H$  and simultaneously X = CN, Y and Y or Z-are F.